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- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
  - An Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449, and references cited.
- A Response to Restriction Requirement, with Traverse.
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